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Mr. Brad T. Barber
State Planning Coordinator
116 State Capitol
Salt Lake City, Utah 84114

Dear Mr. Barber:

Re: Revision of Mining Reclamation Plan, Kennecott's Barney's Canyon Gold Mine,
M/035/009, Salt Lake County, Utah

Thank you for your recent comments (October 8, 1992) concerning the Barney's Canyon Gold mine. Your comments addressed the possible impacts of the cyanide heap leach operation on wildlife.

We have asked that the operator describe wildlife mitigation techniques and discuss mortalities in our tentative approval letter dated September 8, 1992 (see attached). The operator has agreed to insert this discussion in an updated version of the overall plan due by December 31, 1992. Also, the operator has agreed to provide the Division with annual reports on mortalities. This information could easily be forwarded to DWR each year.

The initial 1988 permit did not include this type of information, other than fencing of the leach pads and process ponds. The updated plan will address this deficiency by the end of the 4th quarter, 1992.

Please call me if you have further questions.

Sincerely,

Holland Shepherd
Senior Reclamation Specialist

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Attachment

cc: David Hodson, Kennecott Corp
Habitat Manager, DWR (115 N Main, Springville, Utah 84663)

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